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Prime Sponsor: Joint Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions Interim Committee
Catch Title: **Department of transportation communication facilities.**
Subject: Amending the leasing process for Department of Transportation communication infrastructure.

Summary/Major Elements:

- This act amends the leasing process for state-funded communication infrastructure that the Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT) operates.
- The Act strikes references to the Public Service Commission and duties the Commission had in authorizing certain infrastructure leases and provides discretion to WYDOT to lease excess capacity on state-funded and operated infrastructure.
- The act amends the disposition of any lease proceeds. Previously, those proceeds were deposited into the general fund. Now, those proceeds will be accounted for separately by WYDOT, who can use the proceeds to maintain, reinforce, and repair the WyoLink network and towers.
- The act defines broadband providers and telecommunications companies for purposes of the leasing provisions amended in this act.

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